



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael R. Sogard )  
Serial No: 10/000,305 ) Art Unit  
Filed: November 30, 2001 ) 2881  
For: MAGNETIC SHUNT ASSEMBLY FOR AN )  
EXPOSURE APPARATUS )  
Examiner: Paul M. Gurzo )  
Attorney Docket: PA0244-US / 11269.27 )

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

This amendment and response is to the Final Office Action dated November 4, 2003, having a shortened statutory time for response set to expire on February 4, 2003. The Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment and Response be considered after final rejection because the Applicant has complied with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. The Application, as amended, is believed by the Applicant to be in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

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